

House Resolution No. 1910

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives take great pride in honoring the many members of Company K, 3rd Battalion, 24th Marines, 4th Marine Division; and

Whereas, formed in 1943, Company K is headquartered in Bridgeton and is the home of many of Missouri's Marine Reservists; and

Whereas, hundreds of Marine Reservists across Missouri are now deployed in Operation Enduring Freedom with the 1st Marine Division in Iraq; and

Whereas, during this worldwide battle against terrorism, many of our friends and loved ones who are affiliated with the United States Armed Forces are faced with hardships, stress, and a multitude of other difficult and challenging issues in their lives; and

Whereas, always prepared to contribute to our country's defense, Company K was last deployed in Operation Desert Storm in 1991; and

Whereas, while protecting and defending our fifty states of freedom, numerous Show-Me State residents have taken part in such dangerous assignments as Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Noble Eagle, Operation Enduring Freedom, and Operation Joint Guardian, just to name a few; and

Whereas, because of the valiant efforts of the members of Company K, 3rd Battalion, 24th Marines, 4th Marine Division, the people of the United States are guaranteed that freedom and democracy will continue to be our way of life:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to pay tribute to all military personnel who have sacrificed and dedicated their lives in a continuing effort to let freedom ring and to extend to them our heartiest best wishes for all future endeavors; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the members of Company K, 3rd Battalion, 24th Marines, 4th Marine Division.

Offered by _____
Representative Jeff Harris
District No. 23

Representative Chuck Graham
District No. 24

Representative Vicky Riback Wilson
District No. 25

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and

correct copy of House Resolution No. 1910, adopted April 20, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker